

(c) NET REVENUE.—For purposes of subsection (a), the term “net revenue” means gross revenues reduced by the amount of any costs incurred in the collection of taxes on remote sales and related administrative costs.

**SA 795.** Mr. MERKLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 743, to restore States’ sovereign rights to enforce State and local sales and use tax laws, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 8, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following:

(g) PREVENTING DISCRIMINATION IN COMPLIANCE FOR COMPLIANCE COSTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a State that provides reimbursement (other than through a State tax deduction for ordinary and necessary expenses paid or incurred during the taxable year in carrying on any trade or business) for expenses related to collection and remittance of sales and use taxes to sellers that are located within the State, such State shall provide an equivalent rate and method of reimbursement to any remote seller for expenses related to the collection and remittance of sales and use taxes on remote sales sourced to that State.

(2) ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary of the Treasury may issue such regulations or guidance as may be necessary for the administration of the requirements described in paragraph (1).

#### NOTICES OF HEARINGS

Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Indian Affairs will meet during the session of the Senate on May 15, 2013, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing “To Receive the Views and Priorities of Interior Secretary Jewell with Regard to Matters of Indian Affairs.”

Those wishing additional information may contact the Indian Affairs Committee at (202) 224-2251.

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I would like to advise you that the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources will hold a business meeting on Wednesday, May 8, 2013 at 11:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the business meeting is to consider pending calendar business.

For further information, please contact Sam Fowler at (202) 224-7571 or Abigail Campbell at (202) 224-4905.

Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Indian Affairs will meet during the session of the Senate on May 8, 2013, in room SD-628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing to receive testimony on the following bills: S. 434, to authorize and implement the water rights compact among the Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation and the State of Montana, and for other purposes, and S. 611, to make a technical amendment to the T’u’f Shur Bien Preservation Trust Area Act, and for other purposes.

Those wishing additional information may contact the Indian Affairs Committee at (202) 224-2251.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

##### COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 25, 2013, at 8:30 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 25, 2013, at 10 a.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate subcommittee hearing on April 25, 2013, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on April 25, 2013, at 9:30 a.m. in SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct an executive business meeting.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 25, 2013, at 2:30 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

##### SUBCOMMITTEE ON EAST ASIA AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 25, 2013, at 2 p.m., to hold a East Asia and Pacific Affairs subcommittee hearing entitled, “Rebalance to Asia II: Security and Defense: Cooperation and Challenges.”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. PAUL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Justin Hamilton, an intern in my office, and Steven Phan of the Sergeant at Arms’ office be allowed the privileges of the floor for today’s session and that Stephen Phan be allowed to stand next to me to interpret my remarks into American sign language.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to executive session to consider nominations 24, 25, 61, and 89.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that the nominations be confirmed en bloc, the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, there be no intervening action or debate, and that no further motions be in order to any of the nominations, any statements be printed in the RECORD, and the President be immediately notified of the Senate’s action, and the Senate then resume legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

##### DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Christopher J. Meade, of New York, to be General Counsel for the Department of the Treasury.

##### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

William B. Schultz, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the Department of Health and Human Services.

##### EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

Jenny R. Yang, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2017.

##### IN THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Karol Virginia Mason, of Georgia, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

#### LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will resume legislative session.

#### UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that at a time to be determined by me, in consultation with Senator McCONNELL, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 42; there be 1 hour for debate equally divided in the usual form; that upon the use or yielding back of that time, the Senate proceed to vote with no intervening action or debate on the nomination; that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate, and no further motions be in order to the nomination; that any statements related to the nomination be printed in the RECORD, and that the President be immediately notified of the Senate’s action, and the Senate then resume legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.